

Mt. Hood National Forest - Weekly Firewood Information Sheet Westside Firewood Cutting Zone

Valid only with current permit and valid load tickets

Information Sheet Effective Dates: Sept. 9th through Sept. 15th

Estacada Ranger Station - (503) 630-6861 595 NW Industrial

Way, Estacada, OR 97023

Office Hours: Monday thru Friday: 7:45am to 4:30pm

Saturday: 7:45am to 4:30pm

Closed 11:30 to 12:30 for lunch Monday thru Saturday

Closed National Holidays

Zigzag Ranger Station - (503) 622-3191 70220 E. Highway 26, Zigzag, OR 97049 Office Hours: Seven Days a Week: 7:45am to 4:30pm Closed 12:00 to 1:00 for lunch Closed National Holidays

Call (503) 668-1650 for current Industrial Fire Precaution Level (IFPL) prior to cutting.

Effective Sept 7th 2011 IFPL Protection Units 1, 2, 3, 4 (all of Mt. Hood National Forest) are in a Level II. **Chainsaw operations must be shutdown at 1pm daily, followed by a 1 hour fire watch of the area.** This level may change at any day without notice. Call the phone number above for the most up-to-date IFPL information.

We are accepting and reviewing Special Requests for Firewood.
You may obtain a Westside Firewood Special Request form at our Westside office locations, and on the website at www.fs.usda.gov/mthood

SMALL DECKS OFF 4620 ROAD

See the attached map for approximate location of log decks. There are a series of small decks of small diameter (less than 16") mixed fir and hardwood species on the 4620180 and 4620170 spur roads. Quantity here will not last long. A deck of logs can be defined as 3 or more logs that have been cut to length at each end, de limbed, and stacked neatly. All the decks on these spur roads are well within 25 feet of the road side. Use caution while retrieving material from a log deck. Logs may come loose and roll unexpectedly. Parking and turn around space is limited. It is not recommended to bring a trailer.

Cutting is not authorized further than 25 feet from the road in these areas. Cutting is not authorized on any material that is not in a log deck in this area.

<u>Directions</u> – From Estacada: Follow Highway 224 East for approximately 20 miles. Turn Right towards Indian Henry Campground. Stay on this paved road for approximately 3.2 miles to the 4620170 spur road on your left, or approximately 3.9 miles to the 4620180 spur road on your right.

SECTION OF THE 4220 ROAD

This area may close at any time due to active fires near the area.

(Third week being open – Quantities are diminishing)

Between the 4230 and the 4220120 (Sisi Butte Road) approximately 1.8 miles of the 4220 road is open for wood cutting within 100 feet of either side of the road **except** where indicated on the attached map and where "No Woodcutting" signs are posted. The felled species in the area is Lodgepole.

Access this area via the 42 road. <u>CAUTION</u>: on the 42 road between the 46 and 4220 junction <u>ACTIVE TIMBER HAULING</u> is taking place <u>MONDAY through</u>
<u>FRIDAY</u>. NO WOOD CUTTING is authorized in this area!

See the "Roads and Areas Closed to Road Prism Wood Cutting" section below.

The 42 road is a very high use road for general recreation. USE CAUTION while driving on this road. Even though it is paved, drive slowly, and stay far to your side of the road. *Project work/Tree felling is active on the 4220 south of the designated firewood area. DO NOT travel further south on the 4220.* If you want to access Olallie Lakes area, do so via the 4690 road.

<u>Directions</u>: From Estacada- follow Highway 224 East for approximately 25 miles to where the 224 turns into Forest Service road 46 (still paved 2 lanes). This junction is located about ¼ mile past the Ripplebrook Visitor Store. Stay right, and continue approximately 14 miles on the 46 road to the 42 road junction, turn Left. Continue approximately 4.5 miles on the 42 road to the 4220 junction (this section is where log haul is taking place). The 4220 junction is not well signed. The numbers "4220" are painted on the pavement with an arrow, in this area the 4220 road is paved. Turn Right onto the 4220. Continue approximately 2¾ miles to the 4230 junction. This junction marks the "Start Point" of the Firewood area. Continue on the 4220 into the Firewood area. A Turnaround is available at the Sisi Butte spur road junction at the "End Point" of the Firewood area.

ROAD PRISM

CLACKAMAS RIVER RANGER DISTRICT ONLY. Zigzag Ranger District is closed at this time to "road prism" cutting.

You may cut any "downed" material within the road prism of Forest Roads open to the public on the Clackamas River Ranger District except roads or **areas closed to "road prism" listed below**. Please **see attachment** illustrating what a "road prism" is. If the tree has fallen across the road and extends past the road prism you may cut the part that is in the road prism only, but must leave the rest in place. If you want to take the portions that extend past the road prism, you must have an approved Special Request Form in hand.

Roads and Areas CLOSED to "Road Prism" Woodcutting: Hwy 26, Hwy 224, Forest Roads 46, 4611, 4612, 57, 54, 5410, 5411, 5412, 4635, 42 road from the 46 junction to the 4220 junction, and paved sections of the 63 and 70, recreational sites (campgrounds), administrative sites, and non-Forest Service land, Austin Hotsprings, Bagby Hotsprings, Timber Lake Job Corp, and any log decks adjacent to roads. Collecting firewood from road/landslide or "washout" debris is not authorized on any road at this time.

Forest Roads are defined as major signed roads that are open to the public. "Signed Roads" are roads that have four digit or seven digit road numbers that are marked on the road or on a District Map (example: 4660, 4660140). Skid roads/wheel tracks are **not** considered Forest Roads. Roads closed by a berm, gate, guardrail or brush are considered closed to the public and **not** an open road.

<u>Firewood Collection Rules in ANY Designated Area:</u> (Unless otherwise indicated on this information sheet)

- 1. Downed logs must be 300 feet away from any river, creek, lake, or stream.
- 2. Park safely in a pull out or on the shoulder of the road to not block traffic or impede traffic and emergency vehicles.
- 3. Do not block the road with logs or pull logs out into the road.
- 4. No winches or cables are authorized for use in firewood collection.
- 5. All slash created by your operations will be kept out of the ditchline and off the road.
- 6. If there is not enough room to work safely, find another tree.
- 7. Do not cut any standing tree (dead or alive).
- 8. Do not cut any tree marked with Orange Paint.
- 9. No vehicles are allowed off the road, but wheelbarrows are acceptable.

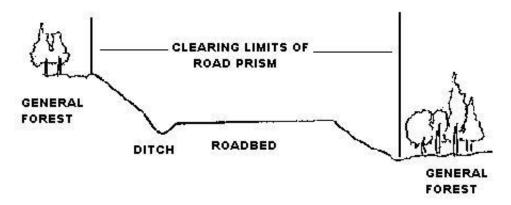
DON'T FORGET

- Before leaving the area, punch out the date on your load tag, and securely tag the back of your load so that it is clearly visible from the road
- Fill out the Product Quantity Removal Record on your Permit
- Read the Conditions on the back of your Permit. This is what you agree to when you purchase a Firewood Permit.
- If you have an approved Special Request, You MUST have it in your possession with an up-to-date Weekly Information Sheet, and your Permit to be valid.

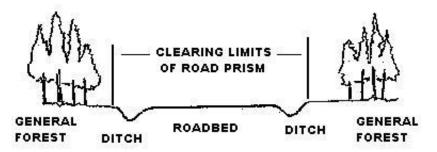
Have Fun & Be Safe!

DIAGRAMS DEFINING THE ROAD PRISM

EXAMPLE #1



EXAMPLE #2



EXAMPLE #3

